



OAKNOTES

VOLUME 17 ISSUE 1

WINTER/SPRING 2011

"WHEN IT RAINS IT DRAINS"

A tiny bit at a time, we are polluting our water. This happens when we over-fertilize the lawn, litter, toss leftover motor oil, gasoline or paint thinners in the ditch out back, don't pick up after the dog and blow yard waste into the street or storm drain. As the storm water flows along the ground, it picks up oil, trash, chemicals, dirt, silt and other pollutants and discharges these pollutants directly into waterways that do, through a multitude of waterways, eventually get to the Bay.

On December 3, 2010, the Maryland Department of the Environment as well as Virginia, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia, each presented to the Environmental Protection Agency final plans to achieve the reductions needed not only to clean up the Chesapeake Bay, but our local streams as well. Some of the items within the plan include upgrades to waste water treatment plants, storm water facilities and collection systems and private septic systems. This plan also includes limiting the use of impervious surface materials such as black top and concrete. Reducing the amount of personal pollution as mentioned above which includes trash, litter, pet waste and lawn care will need to be addressed.

Over this next decade we will undoubtedly see a huge difference in how we deal with storm water, not only as a municipality, but we as citizens. The implementation of this plan will be a very daunting and costly task for small municipalities like Manchester over many years to come and will most likely become the next fee dependent municipal utility.

Sincerely,

Steven L. Miller
Your Town Administrator

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Manchester Area Residents



Tree pick up is scheduled for January 13th. **NO BAGS ALLOWED.**

Remember ALL decorations must be removed from the tree!



SNOW INFO!

ALL SIDEWALKS are required to be cleared of snow & ice within 10 hours after the snow has stopped falling. If the snow falls overnight, you have until 6pm that evening.

ALL town streets are snow emergency routes. When the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect, parking is prohibited. **VIOLATORS WILL BE FINED.**



BRUSH PICK-UP APRIL 19TH

Please place all brush and limbs facing in the same direction with the cut edges facing the road. **All limbs must be less than 4" in diameter.** You can put your limbs and brush into bags or containers, however we will leave these for your disposal.

Visit us:
Manchestermd.org



SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

All of the following materials can be placed in your recycle bin:

PLASTIC:

- ** Resin identification code 1 through 7
- ** Wide mouth containers (peanut butter, margarine, cottage cheese, etc).

METAL:

- ** Food & beverage containers
- ** Aluminum foil, pie pans
- ** Aerosol cans (empty)

GLASS:

- ** Empty jars & bottles

PAPER:

- ** Newspapers, magazines, mail, cardboard, boxes, books, wrapping paper, computer printouts, milk/juice cartons, etc.

** Grass & Weeds **

Residents are asked to please keep grass and weeds mowed on a regular basis to avoid violation of Code Section #62-8. Grass and weeds should be maintained in a manner so that they do not exceed 12" in height.



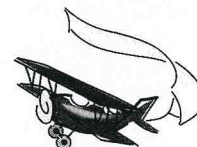
BULK TRASH PICK-UP

April 20th

To take advantage of the Bulk Trash pick-up, you must first call Hughes Trash Removal between the first of the month and the day before pick-up. 410-374-6467.



The brush dump site located on Water Street is open to Manchester residents **only!** Current hours of operation are Mondays from 9am – 3pm.



ADVERTISE IN OAKNOTES

BUSINESS CARD \$50

¼ PAGE \$75

½ PAGE \$100

Please keep the area around your water meter touchpad clear of shrubs and vegetation so that Town personnel can accurately read your meter.



PERMIT POINTERS

The Town would like to remind residents that construction of decks, pools, (greater than 2ft deep, above-ground and in-ground) and sheds greater than 150 sq. ft. **require a building permit** issued by Carroll County Permits in addition to a Zoning Certificate from the Town of Manchester.

The following require only a Zoning Certificate from the Town of Manchester:

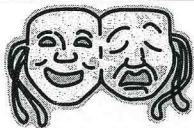
- ❖ Sheds – less than 150sq ft
- ❖ All fences must be approved for type, location and height by the Town **prior** to installation

Reminder: Filling of pools is prohibited with town water sources. Outside vendors must be used.



Make sure your correspondence gets to us! Please include our post office box number in the address:

PO BOX 830

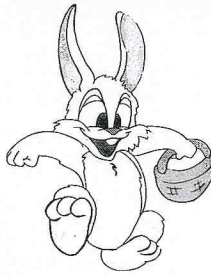


"THE CURSE OF FRANKENSTEIN"

March 18, 19, 25, 26 7:30pm
March 20, 27 2:30pm

Presented by the Manchester Vol. Fire Department

Community Information



BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY!!

Manchester Activities Bldg

APRIL 23RD

8am – 11am

Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, Eggs, Chipped Beef, Tots!

COME OUT & JOIN THE FUN!!!

Hosted by the Jr. Firefighters



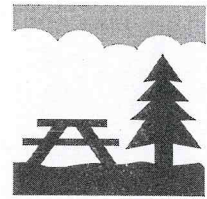
COMMUNITY CPR

Manchester Vol. Fire Department will be offering a CPR course to the community in April. Please call the Fire Station at 410-239-2286 for more information.

MANCHESTER HISTORICAL CENTER

OPEN FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

1PM – 3PM



Don't forget to book your pavilion at Christmas Tree Park for your graduation party! Spots are filling fast. Call now! 410-239-3200.

Small \$50
Large \$85



B-I-N-G-O NEWS!

Jan 14th & 28th
Feb 11th & 25th
Mar 11th & 25th
April 22nd
May 13th & 27th
June 10th & 24th

Doors open @ 5:30pm
Games begin at 7:30pm

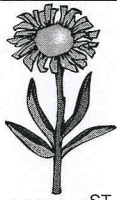
*** **Bingo Banquet** – April 9th! 16 years old and older only. Doors open @ 4:30pm; dinner served 5pm – 6pm; games begin @ 6:30pm.

Bingo sponsored by the Manchester Volunteer Firemen



DON'T GET STUCK IN THE DOGHOUSE!

Dog tag fines begin on March 1st! Bring your dog's current rabies and neuter information to the Town Hall for 2011 tags.



MAY 1ST
Charlotte's Quest
12pm – 4pm

Nature Hikes
Crafts Exhibits!
Food & Musics!!

Please visit
www.charlottesquestnaturecenter.com
for more information.

Historical Center

The Historical Center is open the first Sunday of each month 1 – 3pm, weather permitting.

We have a Clothing Room, Bicentennial Room, Manchester School Room and a Memorial Room.

There are many pictures of the Town to view. For those who cannot visit the Center when we are open, an appointment can be made by calling the Town Office at 239-3200.

We are proud of the many displays we have and are deeply indebted to those contributors.

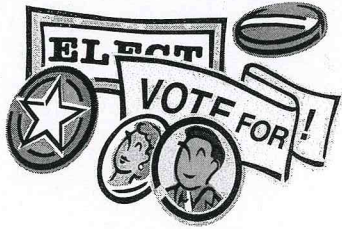


**DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR
CLOCKS FORWARD!!**

MARCH 13TH
*Remember to change the batteries in
your smoke detectors when you
reset your clocks*

NUMBERS TO KNOW

Animal Control (Humane Society)	410-848-4810
Carroll County Health Dept.	410-876-2152
Carroll County Office Building	410-386-2400
Charlotte's Quest Nature Center	410-374-3395
Comcast	410-861-4989
Director of Public Works	410-239-1482
Ebb Valley Elementary School	410-386-1550
Firemen's Activities Building	410-374-4259
Hughes Trash Removal	410-374-6467
Lineboro/Manchester Lions Pool	410-374-2570
Maintenance Shop	410-374-6097
Manchester Elementary School	410-751-3410
Manchester Fire Department	410-239-2286
Manchester Police	410-239-6900
Manchester Town Office	410-239-3200
Manchester Valley High School	410-386-1673
Maryland State Police	410-386-3000
North Carroll High School	410-751-3450
North Carroll Middle School	410-751-3440
Sewer Treatment Plant	410-239-7900
Water/Sewer Emergency (After Hours Number)	410-492-0516



2011 ELECTIONS

MAY 17TH

Polls Open 7am – 8pm
Town Office

It's Election time in Manchester!! A **Mayor** and two (2) **Council Members** will be elected. The term of office is four (4) years. Any interested person may pre-file with the Board of Supervisors of Elections on or before April 4, 2011.

Candidates must have resided in the corporate limits for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the election and must be a qualified voter of the Town.

For more information or a nomination packet, please call/visit the Town Office at 410-239-3200.



MANCHESTER DAY JUNE 4TH

8AM – 3PM
Activity Building Grounds

Local Businesses
Antiques
Wood Working
Baseball Cards
MORE!!!!

FOOD – FOOD!!!!

For booth info call
410-374-4012



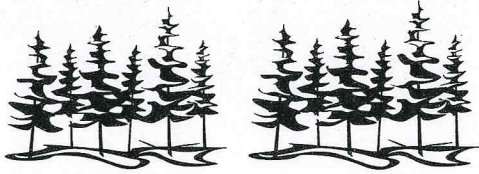
MANCHESTER ELEMENTARY NEWS

One can always tell when there is a morning event at Manchester Elementary. One sign is the back up of traffic along York Street. The school's annual Donuts & Dads was held in November during American Education Week. The volume of traffic during the two days of this event was quite high. Cars were backed up all the way to the Manchester Activities Building. Thank you to all drivers for their patience and understanding. It took a bit longer to maneuver through town those two days and the extra eye kept open for the students and their "dads" as they walked from the Activities Building to the school was greatly appreciated.

Manchester Elementary students did a marvelous job spreading the Holiday spirit throughout the town of Manchester. In early December, fourth grade students created ornaments out of recycled materials. These ornaments were used to decorate the Town tree that sat outside the Town Office building. Fifth grade students learned about Holiday customs from various countries. To celebrate Boxing Day, students visited many of the businesses along Main Street to deliver small, candy filled gift boxes they had decorated. Thank you to all of the businesses that welcomed our fifth grade students.

At Manchester Elementary, we celebrate the unique differences of each of our students. These unique qualities help to create the warm and nurturing environment in place at the school. Throughout the year students are participating in various activities which acknowledge all the many characteristics and traits displayed by our students. During January/February, students will design their own individual snowflakes. The snowflakes will decorate the hallways and student lockers as a reminder, that although we are all different, together, we make up the Manchester School Community.

Manchester Elementary would like to extend a heartfelt thank you Immanuel Lutheran Church and Trinity United Church of Christ. Since parking is so limited at the school, whenever there is a special event, these two special neighbors always extend a welcome and allow their parking lots to be used for overflow cars.



BACKYARD FOREST WORKSHOP

Are you interested learning how to better manage the natural areas on your property or convert some lawn into natural area? If so, you are invited to participate in the upcoming "The Woods in Your Backyard Workshop" to be held from 8:30am to 3:00pm on **January 15th**. The classes will be held at the University of Maryland Extension, Carroll County Office, 700 Agriculture Center Drive, Westminster.

Registration is \$30 which covers refreshments, course materials and an aerial photo of your property for you to use while creating your management plan. This one day workshop is designed to provide the basics of forest and wildlife management for small acreage property owners. Those interested in more information or in attending can contact Donna Davis at 410-848-9290 or by email at dldavis@dnr.state.md.us.



2011 Scholarship Information

Charlotte B. Collett Memorial Scholarship is awarding \$1,000 to a student who has demonstrated a commitment to community service in the Town of Manchester. You can pick up an application at the Guidance Office at MVHS or at the Town Office in Manchester. All applications must be submitted by May 2, 2011.

M.A.M.A. is offering a \$1,000 award to a student who has demonstrated an interest in a career in the business world. Applicant must reside in the greater Manchester area. Applications are available at each high school Guidance Office and at the Town Office in Manchester.



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CHARLOTTE'S QUEST NATURE CENTER

Become a friend of Charlotte's Quest Nature Center today by joining the Manchester Parks Foundation, Inc., the caretakers of Charlotte's Quest....fill out the form below and send a check payable to **Manchester Parks Foundation, PO Box 864, Manchester, MD 21102.**

Your membership gift allows us to continue our mission of environmental education, protection of our natural resources, restoration of active plants and animals, and the creation of a more diverse habitat. Help us to continue to advance in our teaching and in better serving our area schools and the community.

Members play a vital role in the financial support of Charlotte's Quest. By becoming a member of the Manchester Parks Foundation you receive the following benefits:

- ❖ Advance notice and first priority to sign up for the Center's most popular programs.
- ❖ Issues of Nature Calls, the nature center's quarterly newsletter.
- ❖ Discounts on Nature Center merchandise and program fees.
- ❖ An opportunity to serve on the Manchester Parks Foundation's Board of Directors and the opportunity to vote your choice for elected official for the Board of Directors at the bi-annual January election meeting.

Membership:

Family	\$15	Individual	\$10
Senior Citizen (62+)	\$8	Senior Couple	\$12
Full-time Student	\$10	Organization	\$25
Contributing	\$50	Sustaining	\$100
Life	\$250	Patron	\$500
Benefactor	\$1000		

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ (payable to Manchester Parks Foundation)

for_____ (type) Membership.

_____ I am a new member.

_____ I am a renewing member.

_____ I am interested in volunteering my services at Charlotte's Quest Nature Center.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Phone_____

Email_____

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Dates to Remember

JANUARY

11 Council Meeting
17 Office Closed – Holiday
18 Planning & Zoning
26 BZA – if needed

APRIL

12 Council Meeting
19 **Brush Pick-Up**
19 Planning & Zoning
20 **Bulk Trash Pick Up**
22 Office Closed – Holiday

FEBRUARY

8 Council Meeting
15 Planning & Zoning
21 Office Closed – Holiday
23 BZA – if needed

MAY

10 Council Meeting
17 ELECTION DAY
Planning & Zoning TBA
25 BZA – if needed
30 Office Closed - Holiday

MARCH

8 Council Meeting
13 Daylight Saving Time
15 Planning & Zoning
23 BZA – if needed

JUNE

4 Manchester Day !!
14 Council Meeting
21 Planning & Zoning
22 BZA – if needed

All meetings begin at 7:30pm